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July 8, 1981

Honorable William J. Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

This is in response to your letter of June 10, 1981, advising us of your decision to implement pay increases for CIA personnel while serving overseas.

Although the Committee is fully supportive of your objective of providing suitable incentives for service abroad, we question the precedent being set by this action, as well as the methodology employed in accomplishing your intended objective. We are particularly concerned that the across-the-board salary increase proposed to achieve comparability with the recent Foreign Service pay re-alignment may further exacerbate the overseas pay comparability issue.

We believe a comprehensive comparability study is necessary to fully document the perceived disparities between CIA grade structures overseas and other U.S. government agencies performing similar functions abroad. It is our understanding that CIA has such a study underway, which should be completed within the next few months. Until this study is completed, and the Committee has had an opportunity to review the results, we are of the view that the pay increase for CIA personnel overseas should be considered a temporary, interim measure to address the overall pay comparability problem.

In the future, it is strongly suggested that the Committee be consulted well in advance of any intended actions such as this. This will enable us to resolve any misunderstandings early in the process and facilitate a favorable Congressional response.

Sincerely.

Chairman

Daniel Patrick Moynihan Vice Chairman

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